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TO AMEMBASSY MANAMA PRIORITY
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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MORG, PFOR, BA

SUBJECT: MIDEASTFORCE

REFERENCES: (A) MANAMA 1033, (B) MANAMA 1118

1. AMBASSADOR'S STATEMENT TO FONMIN REGARDING INABILITY TO ASSIGN COMIDEASTFOR AIRCRAFT TO EMBASSY (REFTEL A) IS CONFIRMED. MILITARY AIRCRAFT CANNOT BE TRANSFERRED TO A CIVILIAN U.S. OFFICIAL, EVEN ON A NOMINAL OR PRO FORMA BASIS. SAME RESTRICTION, FOR INSTANCE, APPLIES TO DEFENSE ATTACHE AIRCRAFT, EVEN THOUGH ATTACHES THEMSELVES FORM A PART OF AMBASSADOR'S STAFF.

2. IN ORDER TO MEET FONMIN'S REQUIREMENTS ON NATURE OF MAC
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FLIGHTS IN A RELATIVELY SIMPLE MANNER, WE WOULD PREFER ANY OF FOLLOWING INTRODUCTORY WORDS IN FOURTH SENTENCE OF PARA 4 OF DRAFT LEASE (LISTED IN OUR ORDER OF PREFERENCE):
"MILITARY AIRLIFT COMMAND TRANSPORT AIRCRAFT....."
"NON-COMBAT MILITARY AIRLIFT COMMAND AIRCRAFT....."
"UNARMED MILITARY AIRLIFT COMMAND AIRCRAFT....."
IF THESE PROPOSED CHANGES ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE TO FONMIN, YOU

ARE AUTHORIZED TO PROPOSE USE OF ONLY FIRST SENTENCE OF
TEXT PARA 2, REFTEL B. SECOND SENTENCE, APPEARING IN A

PUBLIC DOCUMENT, WOULD ESTABLISH A VERY LIMITING PRECEDENT
THAT COULD HAMPER MAC'S WORLDWIDE ROLE IN U.S. LOGISTIC
SUPPORT AND MAP/FMS DELIVERIES.

3. WE ARE PLEASED THAT NEW LANGUAGE REGARDING TERMINATION
OF THE LEASE WILL APPARENTLY NOT BE NECESSARY. UNDER
PRESENTLY PROPOSED U.S. TEXT, BAHRAINIS CAN ALWAYS EXER-
CISE THEIR TERMINATION RIGHT BY DENYING AN ANNUAL U.S.
REQUEST FOR RENEWAL, WHICH WOULD BECOME EFFECTIVE AT THE
END OF THE YEAR FOR WHICH THE RENEWAL IS REQUESTED.
OWING TO ABSENCE OF A FORMAL DURATION CLAUSE IN THE EX-
CHANGES OF NOTES, INCORPORATION INTO THE LEASE OF A
PROVISION FOR MUTUAL AGREEMENT ON TERMINATION WOULD
REQUIRE FORMAL ACCEPTANCE BY BAHRAIN OF EACH ANNUAL U.S.
RENEWAL NOTICE. THIS WOULD BE INCONSISTENT WITH NORMAL
LEASING PRACTICE, AND COULD ALSO DEVELOP INTO AN ANNUAL
"MINI-RENEGOTIATION" OF RENT AND OTHER TERMS, WHICH WE
OBVIOUSLY WISH TO AVOID.

4. PRIOR EXPERIENCE WITH HOUSE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE
IN CONNECTION WITH 1975 AMENDMENT INDICATES THAT WE WILL
HAVE TO COMPLY WITH SEC 10 USC 2675. THIS CODE PROVIDES
USG MAY NOT ENTER INTO LEASES WITH MORE THAN DOLS 250,000
ANNUAL RENTAL UNTIL AFTER A REPORT OF THE FACTS HAS BEEN
SUBMITTED TO ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEES OF BOTH HOUSES
FOR 30 DAYS. ACCORDINGLY, EVEN AFTER BEING ACCEPTED OR
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INITIALED BY BOTH SIDES, LEASE MAY NOT BE SIGNED UNTIL
THIS STATUTORY REQUIREMENT HAS BEEN MET.
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